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CELEBRATING NEW YORK LAW SCHOOL

By Dwight Day

Another school year has ended and New York Law School is about to send another batch of graduates out into the world. At the 111th Commencement Exercises on May 21, 2003 the graduates will get to walk across stage at the Avery Fisher Hall, Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, as they receive their Juris Doctor degrees.

Yes, the degree for which we worked so hard; for which we sacrificed so much. Finally in our grasp will be that \$100K piece of paper that will allow us to take the BAR, giving us a ticket to fame, wealth, public service and numerous other possibilities.

Quite the moment every law student dreams of.

In the not so distant past still lurk the late night studies, the outlining at the end of each semester, the Socratic method, the boring classes, the exciting classes, the lectures, the 14th amendment, City Breakfasts on Friday mornings, visits to the financial aid office, the writing program, visits to Dorothy in Accounting, professors' pep talk, the Dean town hall meetings, the library, the computers that do not work, and the printers that do not print when you want them to. However, in the end the positives far outweigh any possible negatives. One can truly say that it was worth it.

Lifetime friendships have been forged and the world now awaits us.

Who knows? Maybe our paths shall never meet again after May 21. However, one thing is sure. We cannot change it. That is - our roots here at NYLS. And, as we now embark on our new status as alumni of this great old institution, let us never forget and let us give back.

Never forget that in making NYLS a better school, we also improve our lot. Like it or not, we are bound to this place. The school is always thought of in light of its current position and not what it was. So in five years time if it is a first tier school, it would not have mattered if five years earlier it was a third tier school.

Let's work together to improve our lot. Congratulations to the class of 2003.

"Remember that you are joining a noble profession and always conduct yourself proudly and professionally." **Professor Saltalamchia**

"Don't fritter away your time." **Professor Kettering**



"Use your education well, never forget the privilege we have as lawyers to do great good or to do great harm. Rely on your strong moral core to do what's right."

Dean Matasar

"Don't be a stranger. Feel free to keep in touch with the law school and the faculty. Many of us are willing to help." **Professor Munger**

"Adhere to the highest principle of lawyering and always act ethically and competently." **Professor Su**



"Question authority and don't take anything for granted." **Professor Leonard**

"Make yourself proud." **Professor Champine**

"You have learned a lot about law but the learning has just begun, not just about law but also human nature." **Professor Schoenbrod**

Why the Stock Market Is Rising

by John Mauldin

Today we speculate about why the stock market is rising and whether it can continue to do so, given all the negative economic news. Along the way we will look at a very interesting study on stock values which will be different than the usual report you see. The world is coming to an end, or maybe not. Like an Impressionist painting, the picture looks different depending upon your distance from the canvas.

Up close, the economic picture is not all that pretty. "Unemployment jumped to an 8 year high of 6.0%. The economy lost 525,000 jobs over the last three months. Since World War II, there has been only one time that the economy lost jobs for three straight months without being in a recession, and that occurred during a steel industry strike in 1952." (Bloomberg via the Street.com).

Most economists think the U.S. would need to see a growth rate of 3% to 4% for a sustainable recovery and an increase in hiring. Unfortunately, the economy only grew at 1.6% last quarter, and the ISM (Institute for Supply Management) numbers fell to 45.4, its lowest reading since October 2001. Below 50 means the manufacturing sector is not growing and below 45 typically means a contraction is in the works.

Capacity utilization is an anemic 74.8%, making it difficult for companies to increase earnings by increasing prices. They are increasing earnings by cutting employees and expenses.

Gary Shilling tells us, "Note that for the first quarter, the analysts' consensus last January 1 was for an 11.7% year-over-year gain in S&P 500 operating earnings, but by the end of March, their forecast slipped to 8.3%. After excluding the energy sector, however, which got a big and unexpected boost courtesy of Iraq, Venezuela and Nigeria, their prognostications dropped from 8.4% last January 1 to a tiny 1.8%. Also, three times as many companies warned of earnings shortfalls in the first quarter than announced that profits would best expectations. In the first quarter of 2002, the ratio was 1.7 to 1. Company managements are learning that if they reduce earnings guidance enough, shareholders won't be disappointed.

But does that dismal track record deter analysts? Have they gotten more conservative? The answer is a simple no. Shilling writes, "The chastened but still optimistic Wall Street analysts are at it again as they peer into the future through their rose colored glasses.

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Your Exams*

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The Editors of De Novo would like to congratulate this year's graduates and wish them success and happiness in all their future endeavors.

To all 1Ls congratulations on completing your first year. Job well done!!

To 2Ls, two down one to go.

Have a great summer and see you next year.

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"It has been twenty years since I graduated and one thing that I know now but did not know then is that a career is not a ladder. Rather, for almost of all of us, it is a series of hops, skips and sometimes, long hard hikes. But while we cannot control the destination, we can control our effort and our process by always looking for ways to grow, improve and learn. The legal profession, in particular, is always changing and reacting to new issues. By thinking of our work as a profession with new challenges, we can have long and rewarding experiences. I hope that each of you will also think of NYLS as "homebase" — a place to learn and reconnect. Best of luck to the graduating class."

-- Professor Lenni Benson

"Starting today and regularly throughout your career, stop and ask yourself if you are doing things for the right reasons."

-- Professor Dubinsky

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO
THE CLASS OF
2003**

LOOKING FORWARD WITH A GLIMPSE BACK



Well, it's with great sadness that I sit at my computer to write my last editorial for *De Novo*. Ok just kidding! However, there is an air of sadness because it's the end of another stage along life's journey. Three years ago, I, along with many others, found our way to 57 Worth Street. I remember my first day of orientation. The students who were housed at the St. Georges stuck together and there seemed to be all these various clicks. Although I spoke to everyone, I was a loner and but for the few great friends I made, remained basically such for the rest of my time here.

Do I have regrets? Of course not! I think NYLS is a GREAT school. I think our school has much to offer and I believe that students do not fully exploit all the resources. I also don't see how we could possibly be a third tier school.

I have to thank all my professors over the years. It all began with Professor Chang who introduced me to it all during the weeks before school officially started back in August 2000. I later had the honor of having him for *Criminal Law* in my second year and I will never forget how he was the only law school professor who did not allow his class to go off point. "Was that the question I asked you?" "Will you answer the question I asked?" "Now come back to the question I asked."

Then there was Professor Dubinsky who used to pick on me in *Contracts*. I used to dread that class. Nonetheless, calling on me, helped me eventually overcome my shyness. And, Professor Thomas (*Tax*) who made me come alive. I just wanted to shout out the answers in her class. If there was ever a professor that really took the time to really make you understand, this was her. I will never forget the three requirements for income. Embedded in me are *Old Colony*, *Gotcher* and *Glenshaw Glass*.

And when I felt like I had made a big mistake in coming to law school, there was Professor Estreicher (*Property*) who inspired me. It's as if she sensed that we (Section B) were a bit overwhelmed and she told us her story, of her weak start in law school, which she later overcame.

And with all the complaints about the Writing Program, I had to come across Professor Valentino when I needed to fulfill my writing requirement. He gave me the confidence to write. If ever you think the school's writing program is bad, (of course we all know it is) you ought to take Professor Valentino's *Memo and Brief Writing*. This professor will 'blow' your writing experience. You will see immediate improvements. Not to mention, you will leave with a wealth of knowledge in criminal law.

And then Professor Benson (*Administrative Law*) who made you teach yourself. She expects a lot from her students but she is not going to spoon feed you. She has the ability to make you see the practical side of things. Professor Benson is also the type of professor who makes you want to be a good alumnus.

I won't mention which class was my worst. I am sure we all have our worst class/worst professor stories. This professor disagreed with every single case in the case book and by the end of the semester I did not even know what was the law.

Then how can I not mention Professor Haas (*Corporations*)? He taught the subject with such ease. He made it all seem so simple, giving you everything you needed. And last but not least is Professor Rostain who seemed to be constantly moving at the front of the class. She just has the Rules of Professional Conduct rolling off her tongue. I cannot mention every professor, Professors Leonard, Ziegler, LaPiana, Schoenbrod, Teitel, and the list goes on. Strangely enough, two classes that I really enjoyed and really thought I had a hang of the material, I ended up with less than stellar grades. It did not matter because in the long run I knew that I knew more than the blue books reflected. I even took another class with one of the professors because I enjoyed the way she taught.

Then there is Professor Marino. He truly wants our rankings to increase. He truly tries. He taught New Law In National Perspectives using a close circuit system. He arranged all this with the help of the security guard. I am sure that my fellow 3Ls will not disagree when I say a BIG thumbs up for him and his Assistant Susan Tirado. We thank you and we hope that this year the NYLS BAR pass rate will make you proud.

Did *De Novo* accomplish all that we set out to do? Maybe not! We did not want a paper like the *New York Times*. We wanted a paper that was relaxing. We wanted a paper that was not going to follow every single administrative issue. Also, we were not going to be doing investigative reporting. Was this a good decision? I don't know. Others will have to be the judge. We also allowed anonymous articles. I did not mind. I wanted students to express themselves freely without the fear of retribution. Some people would disagree with that decision but that's what the Editors believed to be the safest route. (Especially because I had to plead with people to write.)

The founding editors would love to see *De Novo* become a lasting part of the Law School tradition and remain as such. Only continuing students can make that decision. My wish is to attend a reunion 10, 20 or even 30 years from now and still see *De Novo* as the independent student newspaper.

In fact, I would love to see NYLS on the list of top ten law schools in the country. Wouldn't you? It is possible if we all (Faculty, Alumni, current students) pull together. My fellow 3Ls who are about to graduate, I call on you **NOT** to forget this place. With our help as alumni, and with the student bodies that come after us, and our ever wonderful faculty and staff, we can strengthen ties that will make NYLS be spoken of like never before. It will benefit us all.

As the incoming SBA President rightly stated in his campaign speech, NYLS will be remembered for what it is at the moment, not what it was when we attended. So we all have a vested interest in making this place greater.

So adieu my dear school! And adieu to some of my friends who will return to other states, some far - some near! Classes are now over and another set of graduates are on their way and will soon take the title of Esquire. May we make our school and ourselves proud. May we make the legal profession proud. May we do the best we are capable of doing. God bless us all.

Your Daily Ha Ha Ha

There was a penguin driving through the desert when something went wrong with his car, so he pulled into a gas station and asked some one if they could fix it.

While some one was trying to fix it the penguin went to get an ice cream, it was a hot day so it melted easily, he come back and the gas station owner said "you blew a seal" and the penguin wiped his face and said "Oh no, its only ice cream".

A man walked into a bar. He said to the bartender order me up a round. As he sits down he sees a jar full of 100 dollar bills. He then asks the bartender what is this jar of 100 dollar bills here for?

And the bartender says first, you have to place a 1-hundred dollar bill in. "thats just to play". After, you see that Huge guy over there with the bulging muscles? You have to knock him out in one punch.

Then, you have to go out back an pull

the tooth of a dog that has a tooth ache.

After you are through with that, you must go over to that lady and make love to her.

If you do all of these things you can have every dollar in the jar. The man says well I don't know. So the man continues to order his drinks. When he go to his 36th drink he decided it was about that time. He was going to win that money.

So he walked over to the man an knocked him out in one punch just like the bartender had said. Then he went out back with the dog....and all you hear is this loud angry dog growls and barks and the man walks bak into the bar. The bartender looks at him. The man's shirt was all torn and bloody.

Next thing the man says is "Ok so where is that old lady who needs her tooth pulled"?

Four men went golfing one day. Three of them headed to the first tee and the fourth went into the clubhouse to take care of the bill.

The three men started talking, bragging about their sons. The first man told the others, "My son is a homebuilder and he is so successful that he gave a friend a new home for free."

The second man said, "My son was a car salesman and now he owns a multi-line dealership. He's so successful that he gave a friend a new Mercedes, fully loaded."

The third man, not wanting to be outdone, bragged, "My son is a stockbroker and he's doing so well that he gave his friend an entire stock portfolio."

The fourth man joined them on the tee after a few minutes of taking care of business. The first man mentioned, "We are just talking about our sons. How is yours doing?"

The fourth man replied, "Well, my son is gay and dances in a gay bar. I'm not totally thrilled about the dancing job, but he must be doing good. His last three boyfriends gave him a house, a brand new Mercedes, and a stock portfolio."

A blonde went out for a walk. She came to a river and saw another blonde on the opposite bank. "Yoo-hoo," she shouted, "how can I get to the other side?"

The second blonde looked up the river then down the river then shouted back, "You're already on the other side."

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"Don't live down to expectations. Go out there and do something remarkable." Wendy Wasserstein

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CONGRATULATIONS
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“Always be a first-rate version of yourself, instead of a second-rate version of somebody else.” Judy Garland

NYLS Grads Give Back

By Dwight Day

Will you remember your roots after graduation? New York Law School has a rich tradition of alumni returning to give back to the community that gave so much to them. Professors Moghrabi, Feig, Schanpf, Risoli, Couloute and Hart are just a few of the esteemed NYLS graduates who have returned to ensure NYLS continues to provide the quality legal education. On Wednesday, April 30th, DeNovo staff sat down with Professor Couloute for a walk down memory lane.

When did you graduate from NYLS?

1996

Were you a day or an evening student?

I was a day student

Did you take Sports Law while you were at NYLS?

No, I do not think it was offered, but I was involved with the Sports Law Community.

What made you come back to NYLS to teach?

I wanted to give back to the institution that gave me an opportunity.

When you were in law school, did you know that you wanted to practice in Sports Law?

I always knew that I wanted to do something in Sports and Entertainment law although I did it in a roundabout way to get there. But whatever I did was beneficial in that regard.

What is your advise to a 3L about to graduate and who wants to enter this area of law?

To make the monetary or professional sacrifice early to break in. Be open to doing a lot of different things.

What was your first job after graduation?

Assistant State Attorney in Norwalk, CT

Did you have it lined up before graduation or did you find it after graduation?

I had done an internship at the Chief State Attorney's office. I laid the groundwork and basically was hired after I passed the BAR.

What student activities did you participate in while you were a student?

The Criminal Law Society and the Sports & Entertainment Law Society

What tier-school was NYLS when you were here?

I believe it was 2nd.

What was your favorite class and why?

Probably, my freshman year Contracts class with Professor Gross. She truly intellectually and social aspects underlying contracts and bankruptcy

How do you think Alumni can help make NYLS better?

By being accessible, taking phone calls, giving practical answers to students' questions and problems. It's great to be theoretical but better to aid in networking rather than tell the student to go out and network. Take a resume and pass it along.

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Now That The War is Over, What Comes Next?

By Mr. P

Well who cares? I do and I am sure you do too. Already, the buzz is the 2004 Presidential election. Can you imagine that it is already time to start thinking about that?

At the moment the pundits and the historians are comparing the younger President Bush to the elder President Bush. They are all speculating about whether or not he will suffer the same fate his father did.

However, there are stark differences. This time around, although the war in Iraq might be over the war on terrorism sure is not.

There is also much talk about tax cuts and how it would be irresponsible to cut taxes now. Even if you do not know anything about taxes, you can tell that this idea sounds **BAD** and it is definitely not the way to go. Sometimes blessings come in small mercies and the good Lord has provided two Republican Senators who won't go along with a tax cut just yet and two others who will not go above a certain amount.

The Democratic field of presidential hopefuls is crowded, maybe overcrowded, and the left needs another Bill Clinton-like figure, another person with charm and charisma, who is not that well known to come forth and save the party. Well in fact save us. In a few months the U.S. Supreme Court is expected to hand down decisions in major cases that will affect our lives.

So far no Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court has resigned or has had to step down and so President

Bush has not yet had the opportunity to appoint anyone to the Supreme Court. However this might not remain the case much longer. And in any event we are seeing his choices get on the lower federal bench. Don't forget that these appointments are usually for a lifetime.

While I would not like to see an activist court, I certainly do not want to see an ultra conservative one either.

The latest economic figures show that unemployment is up. It's the highest it has been in eight years at a whopping 6%. The figure might be higher as many Americans have simply fallen through the crack and out of the job market. In the past three months, the economy has lost over 500,000 jobs and the economy grew by only 1.6%. Is there anything rosy? Well the stock market is rising.

The President, in a concerted effort not to have the same experience as his dad, is now turning to the economy. We are more than a year away and so anything can happen. At the moment is doing the right thing, taking advantage of his war success in Operation Freedom Iraq. If he could now bring peace between Israel and the Palestinians, with his Middle East roadmap then that would certainly be an accomplishment.

The thing about President Bush is that he operates under the guise of "low expectation" and then he just shocks us. You have to give him props for that.

What was your favorite class & why?

While I enjoyed almost every class, including *Contracts* with Dubinsky, *Torts* with Saltalamachia, and *NY Practice* with Marino, I especially liked *Con Law II* because of the varied responses that the cases elicited and the politics involved. — Derek Kraft

Who is the best professor you had while at NYLS?

Professor Feig for Entertainment Law. — Lushchinsky Anna

What was the worst class you ever had at NYLS and why?

Legal Writing by far because of the very bad teaching. *Lawyering* was very bad too — Boring. — Denis Fishman

What advice would you give to someone now in his/her second year?

Enjoy it. — Denis Fishman

If you could have changed something in your law school experience what would it be?

Have a faculty advisor from the summer before we started — or even an alumni. — Neena Dutto

What impressed you the most about the school during the past 3 years?

I am amazed about how consistently nice and helpful the staff, throughout the school has been in the past 3 years. — Berlinda Mallebranche

What do you think of the evaluations at the end of each semester?

I think they are information for the professor, but basically a waste of time. — S.P.

consult krysia

Wills/Trust Crossword

Dear Krysia,

I do not yet have a job for the summer and I am freaking out. What should I do?

Sincerely,

Summer Disassociate

Dear Summer Disassociate,

Don't worry. Your primary concern right now should be acing your exams. You are not the only one still looking for a job. And it's not too late to find one. First, go to Career Services to see if they can help. You can also check on the Internet at websites such as Emplaywernet.com and hotjobs.com. Consider broadening your search. Don't just look at law firms but look at corporations, public interest and judicial clerkships. If all this do not work try networking with your friends and see if they can help you.

Dear Krysia

I have been working as a law clerk for a small firm over a year now. My boss is a ravishing and successful woman. To put it bluntly she is so HOT! I have learned so much from her but I find it difficult to concentrate. I think she knows that I am attracted to her because of little things that she has done over the past few weeks.

For example on the days when she knows that I am coming into the office, she wears professional suits but it is apparent that she is showing a bit more cleavage than usual. Also, she tends to brush up against me when there is plenty of room. She is always on my mind. I go to bed thinking of her and I get up thinking of her. To make matters more complicated she is married and has three children who are almost my age.

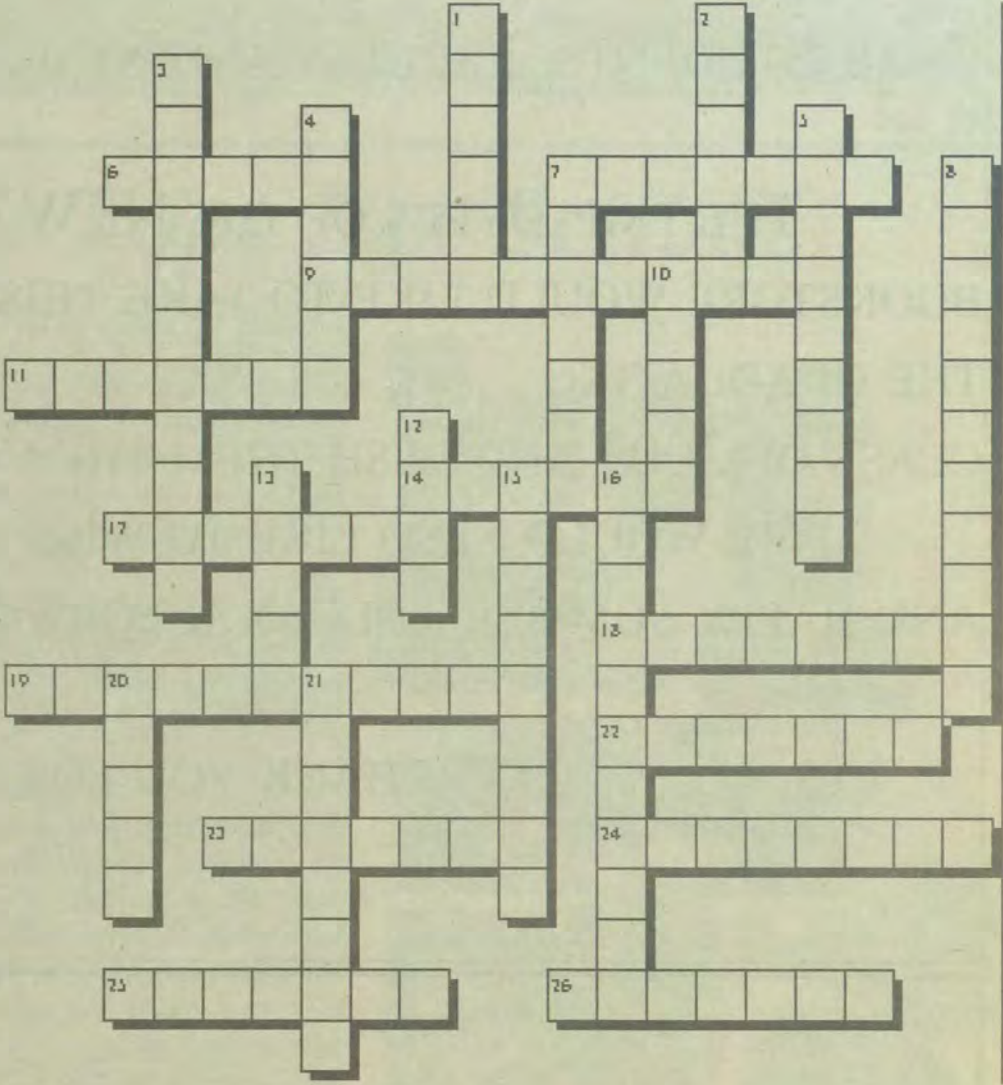
How can I get over this obsession? I don't want to ruin our lives and our professional relationship but the thought of her torments me in my sleep.

Yours truly,

Temptation at work

Dear Temptation at work,

You are in a very dangerous situation. Relationships at work are always a "No, No." The fact that she is your boss makes it ten thousand times worse. The fact that she is also married makes it worse because you do not want to be a home wrecker. She may be hot but and fantasy is okay as long as ity remains just that. If it becomes that difficult that you cannot concentrate or sleep at night, maybe you should consider getting another job. If the situation is really as you perceive it to be, it seems that she is teasing you. Take a step back and make sure you are not reading too much into her actions and construing them into what you want them to be.



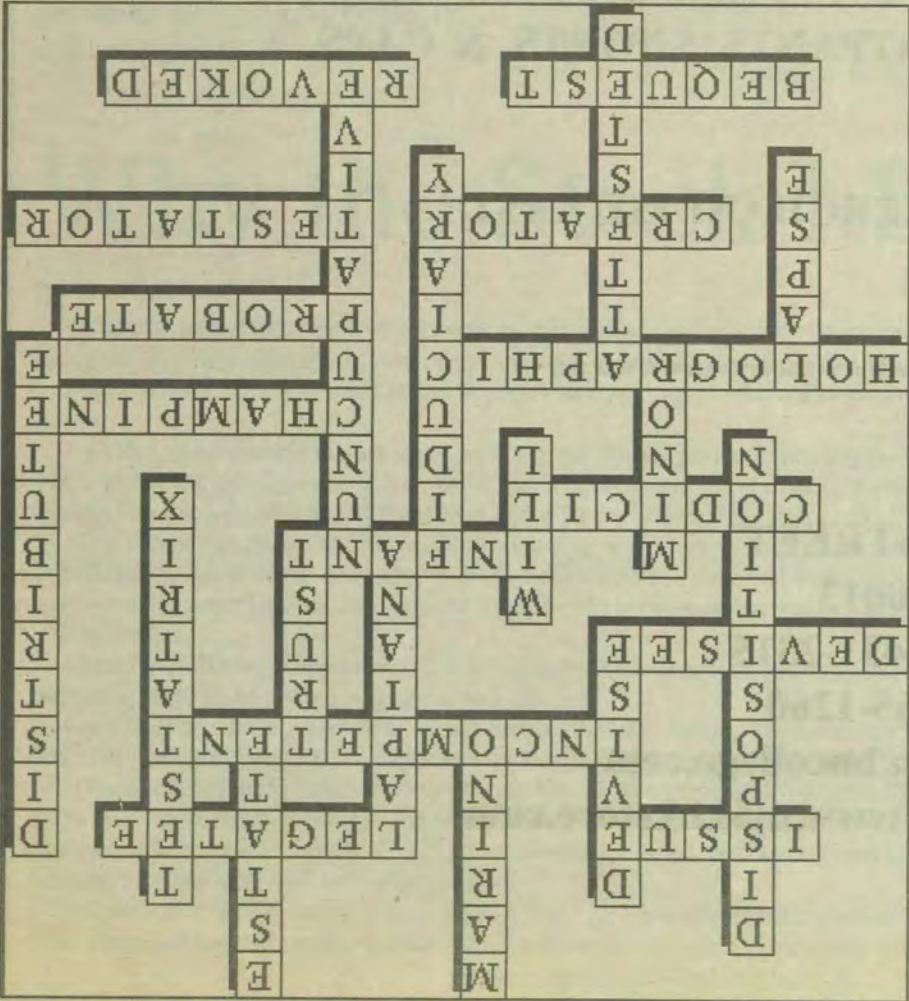
ACROSS

- 6 All descendants, regardless of degree from a common ancestor included adopted children. (5)
- 7 The person who is named in the will to take the disposition of personal property. (7)
- 9 A person who has been judicially declared to be incapable of managing its own affairs. (11)
- 11 The person who is named to take real property in the will. (7)
- 14 A person less than eighteen years of age. (6)
- 17 A supplement to a will that either adds to, subtracts from, or otherwise alters its provision. (7)
- 18 NYLS female Associate Professor who teaches Wills, Trust and Future Interests. (8)
- 19 This type of will is entirely in the testator's handwriting and is not witnessed by attesting witnesses. (11)
- 22 The process by which a will is established judicially as a valid testamentary disposition. (7)
- 23 A person who makes a disposition of property. (7)
- 24 A male who dies leaving a valid will to control the distribution of her estate. (8)
- 25 Another clause in a will directing the disposition of personal property. (7)
- 26 A gift causa mortis may be ____ by the donor at any time, up to the date of death. (7)

DOWN

- 1 NYLS professor who will give you a great overview of wills in your last year as part of NYLNP. (6)
- 2 The aggregate of property which a person owns. (6)
- 3 A transfer of property to one or more people. (11)

- 4 A clause directing the disposition of real property in a will. (6)
- 5 A female who dies leaving a valid will to control the distribution of her estate. (9)
- 7 NYLS male professor who teaches Wills, Trust and Future Interests. (7)
- 8 A person entitled to take or share in the property of a decedent under the statutes governing descent and distribution. (11)
- 10 An agreement whereby a person called the settlor transfers money, stock or real or personal property to an individual, trust company or bank for the income benefit of another person. (5)
- 12 A written or oral declaration, detailing how a person's property is to be disposed of upon the declarant's death. (4)
- 13 A person less than eighteen years of age. (5)
- 15 A person who meets the description of a "personal representative" or who is designed by the court (or creator) to act as an assignee for the benefit of creditors, or committee, trustee or donee of a power during minority. (9)
- 16 This type of will is oral. (11)
- 20 The termination of a gift made by will. This happens when a will beneficiary predeceases the testator (unless the anti lapse statute applies). (5)
- 21 An ____ will is a will signed by a witness and meets all testamentary formalities. (8)



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